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House Bill No. 5415

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The Committee on Energy and Technology reported through REP. BACKER of the 121st Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

## **AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY STATUTES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 16a-37u of the general statutes, as  
2 amended by section 51 of public act 03-132, is repealed and the  
3 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

4 (d) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall  
5 require each state agency to maximize its use of public service  
6 companies' energy conservation and load management programs and  
7 to provide sites in its facilities for demonstration projects of highly  
8 energy efficient equipment, provided no such demonstration project  
9 [does not impair] impairs the functioning of the facility.

10 Sec. 2. Subsection (g) of section 16-245 of the general statutes, as  
11 amended by section 6 of public act 03-135, is repealed and the  
12 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

13 (g) As conditions of continued licensure, in addition to the  
14 requirements of subsection (c) of this section: (1) The licensee shall  
15 comply with the National Labor Relations Act and regulations, if  
16 applicable; (2) the licensee shall comply with the Connecticut Unfair  
17 Trade Practices Act and applicable regulations; (3) each generating  
18 facility operated by or under long-term contract to the licensee shall  
19 comply with regulations adopted by the Commissioner of  
20 Environmental Protection, pursuant to section 22a-174j; (4) the licensee  
21 shall comply with the portfolio standards, pursuant to section 16-245a,  
22 as amended; (5) the licensee shall be a member of the New England  
23 Power Pool or its successor or has a contractual relationship with one  
24 or more entities who are members of the New England Power Pool or  
25 its successor and the licensee shall comply with the rules of the  
26 regional independent system operator and standards and any other  
27 reliability guidelines of the regional independent systems operator; (6)  
28 the licensee shall agree to cooperate with the department and other  
29 electric suppliers in the event of an emergency condition that may  
30 jeopardize the safety and reliability of electric service; (7) the licensee  
31 shall comply with the code of conduct established pursuant to section  
32 16-244h; (8) for a license to a participating municipal electric utility, the  
33 licensee shall provide open and nondiscriminatory access to its  
34 distribution facilities to other licensed electric suppliers; (9) the licensee  
35 or the entity or entities with whom the licensee has a contractual  
36 relationship to purchase power shall be in compliance with all  
37 applicable licensing requirements of the Federal Energy Regulatory  
38 Commission; (10) each generating facility operated by or under long-  
39 term contract to the licensee shall be in compliance with chapter 277a  
40 and state environmental laws and regulations; [(11) the licensee shall  
41 comply with the renewable portfolio standards established in section  
42 16-245a;] and [(12)] (11) the licensee shall acknowledge that it is subject  
43 to chapters 208, 212, 212a and 219, as applicable, and the licensee shall  
44 pay all taxes it is subject to in this state. Also as a condition of a license,  
45 the department shall prohibit each licensee from declining to provide  
46 service to customers for the reason that the customers are located in  
47 economically distressed areas. The department may establish

- 48 additional reasonable conditions to assure that all retail customers will  
49 continue to have access to electric generation services.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>

**ET**      *Joint Favorable*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

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***OFA Fiscal Note***

***State Impact:*** None

***Municipal Impact:*** None

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**OLR Bill Analysis**

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COMPANY STATUTES***

**SUMMARY:**

This bill makes minor and technical changes to the utility laws.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Energy and Technology Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 16      Nay 0